John Loken

Funeral services for John Loken, 80, 317 South Maple, Watertown, a former Stratford resident, were held Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Grace Lutheran Church in Watertown. The Rev. Walter Kirkegaard officiated, and burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Aberdeen. Pallbearers were Lloyd Jark, Steven Stager, Gene Loken, John Loken, Aaron Taylor and Mr. Palmer.

Mr. Loken was born December 20, 1892, at Millard. He married Martha Anderson Oct. 10, 1917, at Faulkton. They farmed at Millard until 1926 when they moved to Norbeck. He was then employed as a section foreman of the M & St. L railroad until 1961. They lived in Stratford those years and for some time following his retirement.

Survivors include his widow; one son, Robert of Watertown; two daughters, Mrs. Eldon (Irene) Ragels of Conde and Mrs. Lawrence (Luella) Hooper of Winterset, Iowa; one brother, Arthur of Norbeck; five sisters, Mrs. Edward (Mabel) Sime of Mina, Mrs. John (Alma) Wik, Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Martha Loken of Norbeck, Mrs. Emil (Ella) Olen of Burke and Mrs. Wiley (Elsie) Randall of Tracy, Calif.; twelve grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, one daughter, three brothers and one sister.